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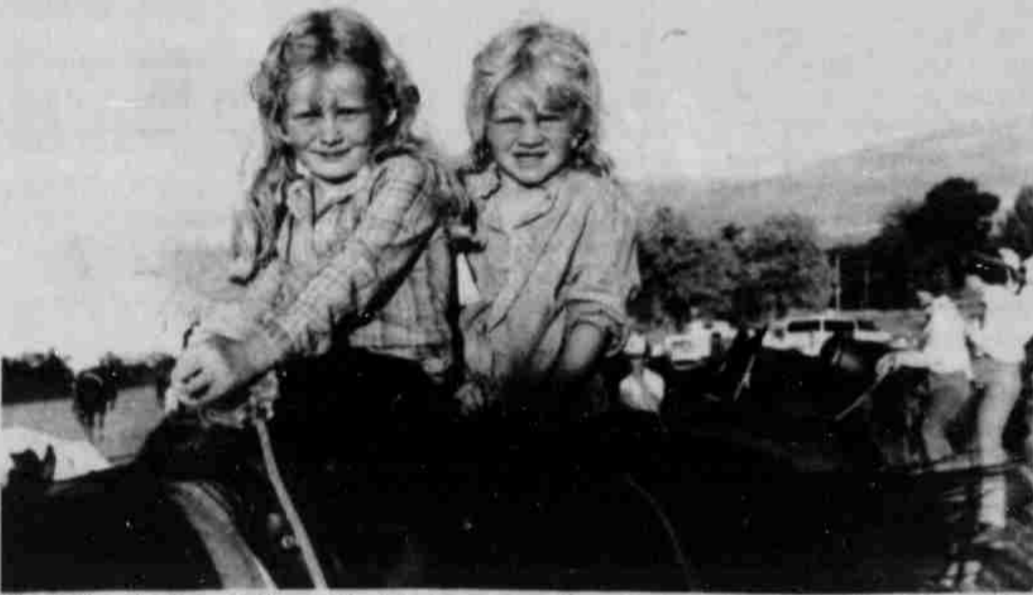
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Weather

by The City of Heppner

	High	Low	Precip
Tues., Aug 17	83	51	
Wed., Aug 18	85	56	
Thurs., Aug 19	92	64	
Fri., Aug 20	95	59	.07
Sat., Aug 21	92	55	
Sun., Aug 22	89	54	
Mon., Aug 23	87	54	

Rodeo spectators in for excitement, laughs, at three big performances



Liz (left) and Becky Smith watched to horse show Saturday from horseback. The girls are the daughters of Carl and Patti Smith of Irrigon.

all-around cowboy will be presented a Severe Bros. saddle by the Morrow County Grain Growers and the best local calf roping will also win a Severe saddle, donated by Kinzua Corp. Spurs, blankets, a watch, steak knives, gift certificates and other prizes donated by area businesses will be awarded.

After the rodeo, a dance will

be held at the fair pavilion from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

On Saturday, the Main Street Parade will make its way through Heppner at 10 a.m., with a WRA-NRA Open Rodeo to follow at 1:30 p.m. Over 180 have entered this rodeo.

From 5 to 7 p.m., All Saint's Episcopal Church will hold its annual barbecue at the church. Then, from 9:30 p.m.

to 2 a.m., Queen Anita Palmer will be honored at a dance at the fair pavilion. The Smith Family Band will provide the music.

On Sunday, everybody is invited to the rodeo grounds for the annual Wranglers Cowboy Breakfast from 7 to 10 a.m. and then to the final rodeo performance at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday's exhibition will fea-

ture a new event this year, a suicide race. Contestants will race their horses on the steep hill behind the rodeo arena.

Businessmen from the Black Horse Tavern, Pettyjohn Oil Co., Royal Welding, Lexington Lumber, B & B Chevron, Central Market, Cal's Cafe and Lounge and Pettyjohn's Farm and Builders Supply will mount donkeys

for the Saturday race. On Sunday representatives from Morrow County Grain Growers, S & J Market, Bucknum's Tavern, Les Schwab, Heppner Auto Parts, Coast to Coast, Kinzua and Court St. Market will race the stubborn critters to the finish line. Each team will have two men per team, with the winners receiving a plaque for their efforts.

Morrow Co. student registration slated

All students new to Morrow County schools this year are being asked to register before August 31, with the exception of Riverside High School in Boardman, a school district spokesperson announced.

All Riverside students will register on the first day of school.

Registrations will be accepted between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day.

The first day of school for all Morrow County students is September 7.

Teacher inservice will begin on August 31, the spokesperson concluded.

Nov. rate increase won't be effected by BPA reduction

Columbia Basin Electric Co-op Manager Fred Toombs has announced that a smaller than expected increase in wholesale rates to priority firm users from Bonneville Power Administration will not effect retail rates paid by the co-op's ratepayers.

BPA announced Friday, August 13 that a proposed rate increase would boost its average wholesale price for priority firm power from 1.13 to 1.80 cents per kilowatt-hour.

The rate request was forwarded to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). If the FERC grants interim approval pending full review of the filing, the increase will go into effect Oct. 1, BPA said.

Although BPA Administrator Peter T. Johnson said the

overall increase in all rates is \$230 million less than was estimated in March, Toombs said the reduction is so insignificant that it would not effect the previously announced increase of 21.5 percent, effective with the Nov. 1 billing. The change in the wholesale rate increase will reduce the co-op's costs by \$40,000.

However, Toombs said, "With conservation going along the way it is, and decreased usage, we may not even see that \$40,000."

Even though the November billing won't be effected, Toombs said another retail rate increase expected in January could be slightly less than expected. Rates are expected to raise in December or January to cover the co-op's costs of its involvement in

WPPSS nuclear plants 4 and 5. Columbia Basin has almost a 4 percent share in the two terminated plants, which will cost the co-op \$1,422,922 in 1982, which includes costs of termination and principal and interest payments on the \$2.25 billion bond debt.

However, it is possible that the costs of the co-ops involvement could be reduced. Columbia Basin has joined 16 other utilities who have shares in the projects in a suit denying liability for the bond debt.

Toombs said Tuesday, Aug. 24, that Judge H. Joseph Coleman is expected to set a trial date this week so at this time he is unable to predict whether the suit will effect the January increase. The trial will be held in Seattle, Wash., he said.

Spectators at this weekend's rodeo will be in for a big treat and probably a few laughs as local businessmen compete in

donkey races during Saturday's and Sunday's performances. The Morrow County Rodeo

opens the weekend's events on Friday at 7 p.m. Over 160 have entered the competition. Local cowboys will compete for a variety of prizes. The best

Governor Atiyeh welcomed in Heppner Tuesday evening



Governor Victor Atiyeh (center), and his Morrow Co. campaign manager Don Peterson of Ione (L), visit with Don Cole of Heppner. The governor was welcomed at a reception in his honor Tuesday at the Heppner Elks Lodge. He arrived at the Lexington Airport about 2 p.m., and was to visit the Morrow County Grain Growers, and then in Heppner he was to stop at Kinzua Corp. and tour the Willow Creek Dam project. After the reception, he planned to attend Family Fun Nite at the County Fair.

Bob Smith makes campaign stop in Heppner



State Senator Bob Smith of Burns (L), a Republican candidate for Congress in the newly aligned Second District talks with Heppner rancher Ken Turner during a campaign stop in Heppner Tuesday. Smith attended the reception for Governor Atiyeh and was also to make an appearance at Family Fun Nite.

Morning fire breaks out at Heppner residence



A fire broke out at the Stanley Cox residence in Heppner at 10:33 a.m. on Tuesday as a result of wood chips and bark dust that rekindled from a controlled burn Monday night, said Heppner Fire Chief Forrie Burkenbine. The fire department burned weeds

in the area and drenched it again Tuesday morning but underlying smoldering material reignited the fire.

Burkenbine said about 12 feet of hedge, a little bit of lawn, and some weeds were burned.

New all-risk insurance offered

Morrow County wheat and barley farmers can participate in a new all-risk insurance program that includes yield guarantees based on their individual production records. The program, known as Individual Yield Coverage (IYC) was announced by Andy Bak of All-Risk Crop Insurance, said Art Stephens, Spray field supervisor for the Department of Agriculture.

Bak explains that the plan will provide higher levels of insurance protection for wheat and barley producers who can verify higher than average yields for at least the most recent three years. In the past, insurance guarantees have been based on the average yield in the area where the crop was produced. Farmers interested in participating should contact the local ASCS Office in Heppner, for information concerning yield verification procedures, said Stephens.

All-Risk Crop Insurance, which has been expanded to replace the disaster payments program abolished by Congress a year ago, is designed to provide reasonably priced protection against the loss of money invested in crop production. A subsidy by the federal government reduces the cost of carrying insurance by as much as 30 percent, according to Bak. The policies are available through private insurance agents.

The deadline to apply for insurance on 1983 crop winter wheat and barley in Morrow County has been established as October 31, rather than September 15, as previously announced. Growers wishing to participate in the Individual Yield Coverage program, however, are urged to contact their ASCS office as far in advance of this date as possible to allow time to yield verification, Stephens concluded.

Queen Anita Palmer to be honored at rodeo dance this Saturday night



Queen Anita Palmer

Country music will fill the fair pavilion Saturday night as Queen Anita Palmer is honored at a rodeo dance. The doors will open at 9:30 p.m. and the Smith Family Band will play until 2 a.m. Admission will be \$3 for singles and \$5 per couple.

Royalty is a family tradition for this year's Morrow County Fair and Rodeo queen. Anita, the youngest daughter of Lee and Mary Ann Palmer, is following the footsteps of her three sisters. Her oldest sister Barbara was princess in the 1975 court and twin sisters Donna and Debra were 1977 court princesses. Donna became 1978 queen of the court and Debra captured the crown in 1979. Queen Anita's mother Mary Ann also has been active as she has served as court chaperone for several years.

Anita's court experience began five years ago as a

ler's show.

When the Queen rides through the streets at Saturday's parade, she will be on top of a four-year-old registered quarter horse gelding named Tri-Bar-Dandy. Anita broke and trained her horse. During the grand entry at the rodeo, she will be riding a 14 year-old sorrel named Johnny Joe, a horse her sister, Donna, broke. Anita has been using Joe in barrel racing and pole bending this summer in rodeo's. The duo has placed in several shows.

The 5'4" blonde queen has been involved in other 4-H activities besides horses. This year she entered a tote painted ice bucket in the county fair. In past years, she was in 4-H clothing.

Court appearances haven't kept Anita from her duties on the farm. She is a right hand to her parents on their Ione ranch year-round. Anita's summers consists of driving wheat truck, hauling and working cattle, building fence, irrigating, operating haying equipment and working with the sheep.

She graduated this spring from Ione High School. She participated in girl's basketball and volleyball for three years, held offices in National Honor Society and Girl's Athletic Club, was named Who's Who Among High School Seniors and was honored with a Citizenship Award.

With an eye on business, the 18-year-old queen plans to attend Oregon State University this fall and major in business administration and minor in home economics.